

Frequently Asked Questions: Community Development Block Grant – Recovery (CDBG-R)

Below you'll find some of the most frequently asked questions from citizens, businesses and agency and non-profit partners (Updated 4/13/09)

Q. Who is eligible for this recovery fund program and what can this money be used for?

A. Eligible applicants include Non-Entitlement Cities (under 50,000 in population) and Counties (under 200,000 in population). Eligible activities include water and sewer facilities, community facilities, housing rehabilitation, or economic development projects principally benefitting low- and moderate-income persons.

Q. How much money is available?

A. The state CDBG program will receive an additional \$4.1 million in Recovery funds.

Q. Where, how and when do I apply for money?

A. An email was sent to all eligible jurisdictions on March 5, 2009. Letters of Intent from those jurisdictions were due on March 13, 2009. Eligible projects that can meet the criteria in the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act and can demonstrate benefits to low- and moderate-income residents will be invited to apply by April 20, 2009.

Q. What is CTED's role in distributing the money?

A. CTED will receive the money from HUD and pass it through to the applicants chosen in the process described above.

Q. Are there any other rules or obligations I need to know about?

A. Applicants receiving CDBG-R funds must award contracts based on bids within 120 days from the date the funds are made available to the state. All materials used in the project must be produced in the United States. Recipients shall also use grant funds in a manner that maximizes job creation and economic benefit. Wages paid must meet Davis-Bacon requirements.

Q. I still have questions. Who do I contact to get more information?

A. Please contact Kaaren Roe at kaarenr@cted.wa.gov or at (360) 725-3018.